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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title page,

Item [56], **References Cited**, U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS, after "6,463,201" delete "B1" and insert -- B2 --.

Column 4,

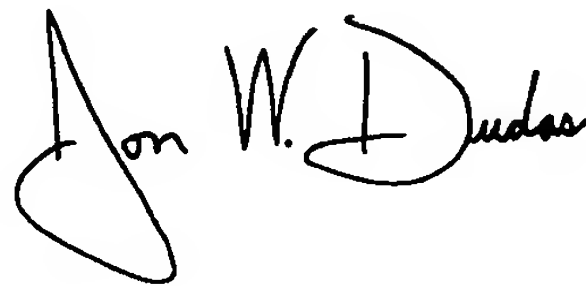
Line 53, after "GeO<sub>2</sub>" insert -- glass). --.

Column 7,

Line 17, after "laser 14." insert -- The coupling efficiency --.

Signed and Sealed this

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